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SUBJECT: JOBERT/MORO TALKS: MID-EAST ASPECTS.

1. DURING MARCH 18 DISCUSSION WITH AMBASSADOR, ITALIAN FOREIGN  
MINISTRY SECRETARY GENERAL GAJA REVIEWED MID-EAST ASPECTS OF  
MARCH 14-16 CONVERSATIONS IN ITALY BETWEEN FOREIGN MINISTERS  
MORO AND JOBERT. GAJA DREW ON MINISTRY'S CIRCULAR TELEGRAM  
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REPORTING MORO/JOBERT TALKS.

2. ITALIANS FOUND JOBERT MORE CONCERNED THAN THEY HAD EXPECTED ABOUT SOVIET INFLUENCE IN SYRIA. ACCORDING JOBERT, SOVIETS ARE CAREFULLY CONSOLIDATING THEIR POSITION IN SYRIA SO THAT THEY CAN USE SARG AS VEHICLE FOR BRINGING SOVIET VIEWS INTO MIDDLE EAST SETTLEMENT PROCESS, PARTICULARLY IN CONTEXT OF GENEVA CONFERENCE. FRENCH BELIEVE THAT SOVIETS INTEND TO SO MANIPULATE SYRIANS THAT NO RPT NO SETTLEMENT WILL BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT SOVIET CONCURRENCE. IN ADDITION, SOVIET DESIGN IS TO USE SYRIANS TO SHAPE SETTLEMENT IN WAY THAT PRESERVES SOVIET INFLUENCE IN AREA.

3. GAJA SAID ITALIANS SURPRISED THAT JOBERT SHOWED NO RPT NO INTEREST IN FRENCH PARTICIPATION IN GENEVA CONFERENCE, JOBERT SAW NO USEFUL PURPOSE IN FRENCH PARTICIPATION, AND TOLD ITALIANS HE HAD SO INFORMED SOVIETS DURING POMPIDOU-BREZHNEV TALKS LAST WEEK.

4. JOBERT INFORMED ITALIANS OF FORTHCOMING EBAN VISIT TO PARIS. HE SAID HE WOULD EVENTUALLY BE OBLIGED TO VISIT ISRAEL HIMSELF, BUT SINCE EBAN COMING FIRST TO FRANCE, JOBERT THOUGHT HE COULD PUT OFF HIS VISIT TO ISRAEL UNTIL NEXT FALL.

5. RE EC-ARAB DIALOGUE, GAJA DID NOT RPT NOT COMMENT ON SUBJECT AND AMBASSADOR DID NOT RTP NOT RAISE IT. VOLPE

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